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TO: ROBERT BOWDEN, CHIEF, SPILL RESPONSE SECTION FM: R. POWERS, OHMC

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR RRT MEETING.

9/28/82, MR. DAVE DENNIS, CHIEF EMERG. RESP. SECT., MICHIGAN DEPT. OF NATURAL RESOURCES REQUESTED A RRT MEETING BE CALLED BY YOU TO DISCUSS TWO SERIOUS POLLUTION PROBLEMS RECENTLY FOUND BY MDNR.

MDNR HAS BEEN INVESTIGATING POLLUTION COMPLAINTS AT THESE SITES AND WILL HAVE COMPLETE DATA TO PRESENT TO RRT ON OCT. 6, 1982 AT PROPOSED MEETING IN LANSING, MI.

SITE 1. BARRELS, INCORPORATED IN LANSING, MI HAS ALLOWED VARIOUS CHEMICAL WASTES TO CONTAMINATE THE GROUND WITHIN THE CITY. PUBLIC EXPOSURE TO HIGH LEVEL PCB IS FEARED. PRELIMINARY RESULT SHOW PCB IN % CONCENTRATION LEVELS ON BARRELS, INC PROPERTY AND ADJACENT RAILROAD PROPERTY. BOTH PROPERTIES ARE UNFENCED.

SITE 2. METAMORA LANDFILL MAGNETOMETER SURVEY AND SUBSEQUENT EXCAVATIONS FOUND AN ESTIMATED 38,000 DRUMS BURIED IN THE SANITARY LANDFILL. AN ODOR CHARACTERISTIC OF C56 WAS NOTED. SAMPLES WERE TAKEN.

SUGGEST YOU ADVISE PCB COORDINATOR AND REGIONAL COUNCIL OF MEETING

AS WELL AS REGULAR RRT MEMBERS. PLEASE ADVISE ME OF YOUR PLANS SO I CAN CONFIRM MEETING WITH MDNR STAFF.

ALSO, PLEASE REQUEST TAT ASSISTANCE IN GATHERING BACKGROUND INFO FORM FIT, OSF AND MDNR FILES ON THESE SITES.

R. POWERS 9/29/82 0815

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